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## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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SUBJECT: The Thirty-third Conference on Microbiological Deterioration  
of Military MaterielDirector  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, DC 20505

1. An invitation is extended herewith to you or your representatives to attend and participate in the Thirty-third Conference on Microbiological Deterioration of Military Materiel which will be held at the US Army Natick Research and Development Center on 14, 15 and 16 November 1984. This is an unclassified meeting and will consider problems and solutions of current and future interest to the Military in the broad field of microbial breakdown and/or contamination of materials as it pertains not only to protection of materials but also to field problems and biotransformation of militarily unique compounds. The interaction between nonbiological environmental degradation and microbial degradation is also considered. The Conference is a working conference, presentations are informal, and discussions are open, resulting in an exchange of ideas and timely dissemination of recent developments in the subject. The Conference is attended by the principal workers in the field representing the major military agencies from this country and the Quadripartite nations.

2. The agenda of the Conference will be drawn up from topics submitted or suggested by the attendants. The range of subjects is quite broad, covering materials subject to microbial attack, physical and chemical processes, and interactions of these agents. Also included are discussions of world-wide environmental aspects of deterioration, international efforts, test methods, specifications, and other pertinent research. The proceedings of the Conference are published and distributed to Conference participants.

3. A reply to this invitation is requested on or before 1 October 1984. Please indicate in your reply:

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a. Whether or not your organization will be represented at the Conference.

b. Names, titles, and addresses of persons attending.

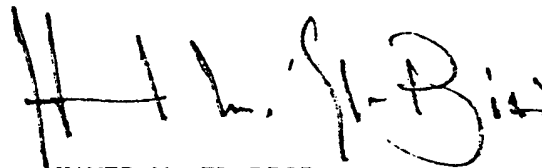
c. Manner of travel, dates and times of arrival, and time of departure, if known.

d. Lodging desired. To insure motel accommodations for the Conference attendants, the Natick R&D Center receptionist (617-651-4534, Autovon 256-4534) has reserved a block of rooms at the Holiday Inn, 30 Worcester Road, Framingham, MA 01701 (617-875-6151; Hot Line 617-875-7200). Government rates for single rooms are \$52.00 plus tax, double rooms are \$58.00 plus tax (subject to change). All unreserved rooms will be released at 1800 hours on 13 November 1984. If arrival time is anticipated to be later than 1800 hours, the motel requires that a deposit, or a credit card number with expiration date, be provided to them in order to hold the room. A government shuttle bus makes daily pickups at the motel at 0800 hours and returns from Natick R&D Center to the motel at 1600 hours.

e. Topics you wish to present or have discussed. Projectors, chalkboards, etc., will be available, but unusual projection requirements should be requested in advance.

You will be notified of details pending your reply, and an Agenda will be sent to you no later than 1 November 1984. We look forward to your visit and participation in the Conference. Point of contact at Natick R&D Center is Ms. Bonnie Wiley, ATTN: STRNC-YEP (617) 651-4390 or Autovon 256-4390.

FOR THE COMMANDER:



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